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Context Clues 1.2

Directions: read each sentence and determine the meaning of the word using cross sentence clues or your prior knowledge. Then, explain what clues in the sentence helped you determine the word meaning.

1. **Confiscate:** Joanne's mother came up to the school to get the cell phone the teacher had **confiscated**.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

2. **Obedient:** Unlike her older brother Jerome, who stayed out all hours of the night, Kate **obediently** followed the curfew her parents set.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

3. **Consume:** John was so hungry that he **consumed** the cranberry muffin and went back for a donut.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

4. **Coax:** After the bird escaped, Chris tried to **coax** it back into the cage with treats.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

5. **Peculiar:** Since it was a school day, Denise thought it was **peculiar** that she saw no children on the street during her drive to work.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

6. **Outcast:** If a wolf refuses to help its pack hunt, it becomes an **outcast** and must go on alone.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

7. **Discard:** Dad had no need for the broken air conditioner, so he **discarded** it on the corner by the trash.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

8. **Content:** While others eat eggs, pancakes, and bacon for breakfast, Mike was **content** with a piece of toast and a glass of orange juice.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

9. **Fortunate:** Because he had such good friends and family, Malcolm considered himself **fortunate**.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

10. **Observe:** The teacher stopped the students after she **observed** them wrestling.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

11. **Brilliant:** Vince had to put his sunglasses on because the rays of the sun were so **brilliant**.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

12. **Murmur:** On the way to her room after just having been grounded, Tammy **murmured** something under her breath.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

Bonus: Define each of the words on a separate sheet of paper to check your answers. Attach your sheet.